

REGENCY GRIFFINS



Principal's Message—Ms. Leoni

May 2018

Dear Regency Families,

I would like to announce that our wonderful caretaker, Trevor Elliston has moved on in his career. Trevor interviewed for a Lead Caretaker position and was successfully placed at Northern Lights PS where he will be leading a team of caretakers. Trevor has been an amazing support for our school. He has made wonderful connections with our staff and students and we will miss him. In his place, we welcome Matthew Aleksich who worked as a caretaker at Aurora High School and look forward to working with him.

April 27th was our **Dance-a-thon** and as usual, it was a big hit! Each class danced for over one hour in the large gym that was filled with glow sticks and music videos. Students had a blast! We raffled off 30 prizes and had lots of happy winners. Thank you to all the families who donated prizes for this event and a special thank you to a parent and School Council member, Sera Weiss for co-leading this event. This fundraising event drew in **over \$5,000** (net)! The students did a great job raising money that will go toward the purchase of many new STEM items for curriculum programming. The top selling class was Ms. Choy and they will be playing a competitive basketball game against the teachers!!! As well, top selling classes will be having a Pizza party. Note: Tax Receipts will be processed for donations that were received by the office via pledge forms (for amounts of \$25 and over).

During the week of May 28-June 1, our Grade 3 and 6 students will be participating in the **EQAO** assessment. A note to Grade 3 and 6 parents will be sent out this week.

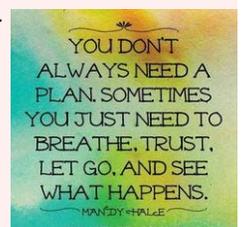
May 31st is our **Art Fair/Spring Concert**. The Art Fair will be the first of its kind at Regency and we are so excited. For over one month, every student in our school has been working on collaborative art pieces. All art pieces will be displayed, as a gallery in our school and will be *for sale* during the week of May 28th. During this week, students will have a chance to buy raffle tickets and enter their chance to win their preferred art pieces. On May 31st, we plan to have the Art Fair open to parents and community members from 5:00-6:30pm, just before our concert which will be held at 7:00-8:30pm. More raffle tickets will be sold for the art pieces this evening and winners will be selected by a draw which will take place June 1. We hope everyone can make it out and please spread the word about our Art Fair. I would like to thank Sera Weiss again for co-planning this event and for offering her time to teach art lessons to a few classes. A flyer with more details for this May 31st event will be sent home.

Thank you to all the families who dropped off bags for our **Bag2School** event - I am sure the Spring cleaning was satisfying!

Volunteers needed!!! Regency is a very busy school with lots of great initiatives that are supported by wonderful parent and community volunteers. Our staff, along with School Council are planning many wonderful events next year and we are looking to expand our volunteer list. Note: Volunteering comes in many forms (for example: on-site during the day, one-day evening or day-time events, class field trips, etc.). We appreciate your time and consideration.

Parents, please read carefully my messaging about **internet safety** in this newsletter and discuss it with your child(ren). It is our joint responsibility to keep students educated, safe and aware.

Our students who participated in the BOKS Program are featured in this short video. <https://vimeo.com/265810301>



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Lisa Leoni
Principal

BEING INTERNET SAFE AND ON-LINE AWARE!

Please take the time to read these important points pertaining to internet safety. Our goal is to educate our students and informing you, as parents, in order to be preventative.

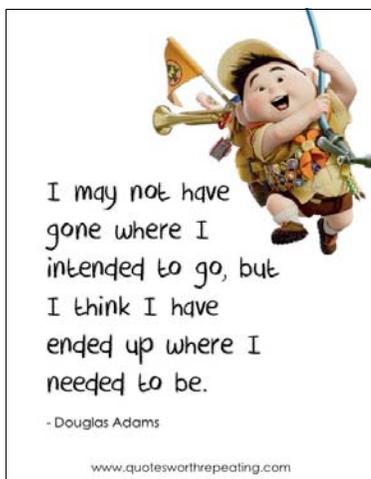
Important information regarding privacy

- Accounts could be set up so that anyone can be contacted, not just your friends
- People encouraged to create personal profiles
- Protect your privacy when you set up IM program ~ no profile**
- Create a buddy list of people you know
- Set security so that you must accept new people to your list
- People include too much information about themselves, including pictures
- Anyone in the world can ask to access your space
- People believe that they have more control over their information than they actually do
- Be absolutely sure you know who someone is before adding them to your friend list
- Set security settings in such a way that only friends can see your personal information

Things every kid should know about being on-line

- Be polite on line.
- Re-read messages before sending to make sure you are not an "accidental cyberbully"
- Save harassing messages as evidence
- Block senders of messages that are unpleasant or make you uncomfortable
- Never respond to a cyberbully

E-Resource: <http://mediasmarts.ca/>



dress code

Student Dress Code

Attending school is an important activity. Look upon it as your job. You will have to accept dress standards at work and in many other situations. Your manner of dress affects the tone of your school and reflects how you think about yourself. Students are expected to dress in a manner that contributes to the learning atmosphere. Students are expected to come to school appropriately

attired for classroom learning and should reflect their increasing physical maturity. Muscle shirts, beach wear, mini skirts and mini dresses, halter tops, clothing that exposes undergarments, spaghetti straps tops, half of cut off T-Shirts, short shorts and bare midriff tops are considered inappropriate in school. Shorts and skirts need to be mid-thigh or longer in length. For all grades, any clothing with objectionable or offensive words, signs, or

logos on them are considered inappropriate as well. Students who are not appropriately dressed will be required to change offending clothing items or cover them with another piece of clothing. We have a number of clean clothing items that may be borrowed. Should a student refuse to comply with the above, parents will have to pick their child up so that he/she may go home to change.

Spring Concert



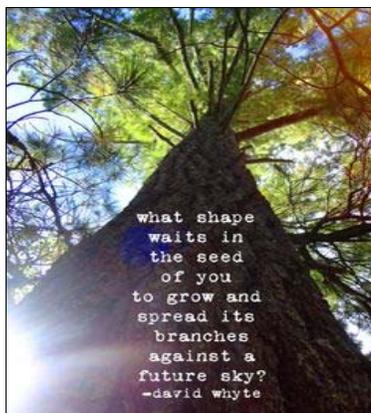
The Regency Acres' Spring Concert and Art Fair will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the large gym for all our Regency families.

Matholympics

In early April, four intermediate students (Bloom, Finn, Esther and Megan H.) represented Regency Acres at the York Region Math Olympics. After three rounds of team and individual events, our students placed 23rd! The competition was open to all of York Region and parts of Toronto. Congratulations to our Mathletes, we'll look forward to returning next year.

Grade 8 Graduation

Graduation is on Wednesday, June 20th at 5:30 p.m.





Volunteer Breakfast

Regency Acres will host our annual Volunteer Breakfast on Wednesday, May 23rd, from 7:45am - 8:30am in the Library Learning Commons. Invitations will be coming home soon. If you volunteered this year, but do not receive an invitation by early May, please contact the office or Mrs. Claus so that your name can be added to the list and an invitation sent. Sometimes names are accidentally missed, and we want to make sure all of our fabulous volunteers are recognized.

A number of students in grades 5-8 joined the Forest of Reading Book Club this year. We have been reading all winter, and have sent in our votes for our favourite book and author! The culminating trip for the Book Club will be held on May 15 and 16th at Harbourfront Centre in

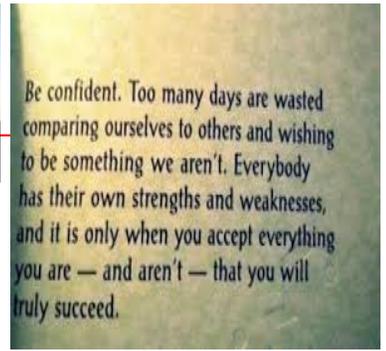
Toronto. Students will have the opportunity to see and hear their favourite authors, participate in activities, have books signed by their favourite authors and find out who the winning author is, from the voting all across Ontario!

We will have our final Scholastic Book Fair of the year from May 28 - June 1. This is a Buy One, Get One Free (of equal or lesser value) book fair. This year, the book fair will also be open Thursday, May 31 in the evening, to coordinate with our Spring Concert and Art Show and Sale.

Our Library and Makerspace are always looking for donations. If you have Lego, K'Nex, building blocks, old crayons, coloured pencils, cardboard, craft items, etc., please contact Mrs. Claus. These items are

always in high demand! Not sure? Just ask. We will let you know if we can use it!

Looking into June, please note that the last day for book sign out will be Friday, June 8. All books must be returned to the library no later than Friday, June 15th. This allows time for books to be returned to the shelves, and the library to be cleaned and reorganized for September. Any books that are lost will need to be paid for. Replacement costs vary from \$5 to \$20, depending on the book lost. (A note will be sent home.) Students entering High School in September must not have overdue /lost books on their account or they will not have access to the high school library. All grade 9 students need access for English courses.



A Message from Public Health

In the 2018/19 school year, York Region Public Health will visit all elementary schools to provide school immunization clinics to Grade 7 students. The clinics offer vaccines for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and Meningococcal A, C, Y, W-135 at no cost.

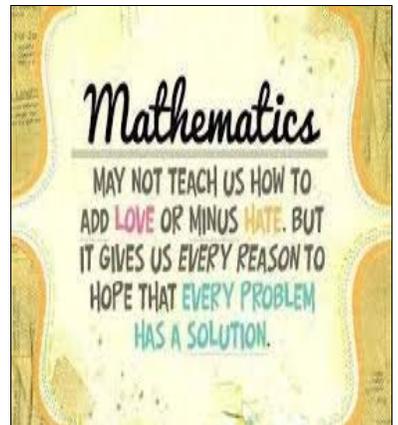
Under the Immunization of School Pupils Act, meningococcal vaccine is required for school attendance, unless an exemption is filed with public health. Hepatitis B and HPV vaccines are recommended, but not required for school attendance.

Parents of students entering Grade 7 in fall 2018 will receive consent forms in the mail in June. Please complete the consent form and return it to York Region Public Health to allow your child to participate in the immunization clinics. Detailed instructions can be found on the forms and accompanying letter. If the consent form is not completed, your child will not be able to receive vaccines at the clinic. Parents and guardians who do not consent should still complete the forms and return them, indicating that you do not authorize York Region Public Health to

immunize your child.

Visit york.ca/immunizations and click on School Immunization Clinics for more information.

Did you know? If your child has missed a required vaccination on Ontario's routine immunization schedule, he/she can receive the vaccine at one of York Region Public Health's Community Immunization Clinics. These evening clinics are offered throughout the summer, giving students the opportunity to catch up before returning to school. Visit york.ca/immunizations and select Community Immunization Clinics to learn more.



Regency Acres Public School

As the end of the school year approaches, many parents start thinking about an end of year gift for their child's teacher. This year, consider a gift that keeps giving. By donating a book to the Regency Library in a teacher's name, the book can be shared again and again by many teachers and children.

I understand that the book will be given to the teacher on the last day of school, with a dedication to the teacher, from the child, inside the cover of the book. The teacher will then present the book to the library for all to enjoy. Soft covered books are \$10, and hard covered books are \$20.

You can place an order by completing this sheet and returning it to Mrs. Claus in the library, along with the payment. You may also send an email to Mrs. Claus at robin.morrison-claus@yrdsb.ca and drop off the payment to the office, or send in the payment with your child.

(Cash or a cheque made out to Regency Acres P.S. please.)

Please have orders in no later than June 8th, 2018.

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Parent's Signature: _____

Around Regency



Please join us on May 31!

Regency Acres is hosting...

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Raffle Tickets will be sold between May 28 - May 31 at:

ONE for \$1.00 - FIVE for \$3.00 - TEN for \$5.00

All money raised will go towards Arts Programming for all students.

SPRING CONCERT from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Sit back and relax while listening to our amazing student musical performances.



On this evening, we will also have a **BAKE SALE** in the front foyer of the school. We are looking for bakers! If you are interested in baking, please contact Sandy Kennedy at sandraknnd25@gmail.com. If you don't have time to bake, you can also purchase baked goods (peanut/nut-free) and drop them off to our school on May 30 or May 31.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR will also take place in the library this evening. There is a special offer this evening - **BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE!**